VILLAGE OF GEORGETOWN, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 1183

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF GEORGETOWN ZONING ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT MARIJUANA CULTIVATORS, PROCESORS AND RETAIL DISPENSARIES IN ALL ZONING DISTRICTS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of Georgetown ("Village Council") exercised its power in Ordinance 1175 to establish certain zoning regulations and districts for the Village of Georgetown (the "Village") which permits various types of businesses to locate within certain designated areas of the Village;

WHEREAS, the State legislature has authorized local jurisdictions, including villages, to adopt regulations to prohibit or limit the number of, marijuana cultivators, processors and retail dispensaries of medical marijuana licensed under the Medical Marijuana Control Program;

WHEREAS, the Village Planning Commission held a public hearing on September 19, 2016 to gather public input related to a proposed amendment to Ordinance 1175, the Village of Georgetown Zoning Ordinance, to prohibit marijuana cultivators, processors and retail dispensaries within the Village;

WHEREAS, after the public hearing, the Village Planning Commission voted to recommend the proposed prohibition;

WHEREAS, it is the desire of Village Council to amend Ordinance 1175 and adopt the recommendation of the Village Planning Commission and prohibit marijuana cultivators, processors and retail dispensaries within the Village.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Georgetown, Brown County, Ohio, a two-thirds majority of all members thereof concurring as follows:

SECTION 1: Village Council amends Ordinance 1175, the Village of Georgetown Zoning Ordinance, to include the following section:

SECTION 150.413. MARIJUANA PROHIBITION.

Marijuana cultivators, processors and retail dispensaries shall be prohibited within all Zoning Districts.

SECTION 2: That the Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of its Committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements,

including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3: This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the health, safety and well-being of the residents of the Village and in order to impose this prohibition immediately in order to prevent the location of such businesses within the Village.

SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest date allowed by law.

Passed and adopted at a legally convened meeting of Council held on the 13th day of October, 2016.

Dale E. Cahall, Mayor

Attest:

Natalie K. R. Newberry, Fiscal Officer

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